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**Democratic Achievement and G. O. P. Mudling in Contrast**

From The New York World

Vermont republicans in convention assembled, writhed in anguish over the "weak, vacillating incompetent" Democratic party.

The "weak, vacillating, incompetent Democratic party" is the party that enacted the greatest banking and currency law the country ever had after the Republican party had failed at the job; the party that reformed the tariff after the Republican party had quibbled the week; that created a trade commission after the Republican party shirked its duty; that has doubled the size of the United States army and made provision for general military training; that has framed the greatest navy bill in the history of the country; that is preparing to take the tariff completely out of partisan politics and to rehabilitate the merchant marine; that has kept the United States out of war and maintained the honor of the nation by the processes of peace.

The "weak, vacillating, incompetent Democratic party" has done more for the country in three years than the Republican party did in sixteen years of continuous power. It is a record for which the Republican party has no parallel in history.

Sissy Willie is an alleged newspaper mat— we can prove it by Prof. Everett—and poor little Sissy believes it. He makes a kind of a bid for Jimmy's file.

The "Snoose" editor never applied the term to but one person. Once upon a time we spoke of Sissy as a boob, and he isn't changed one iota. Prevarication is natural with some people.

We are disgusted enough being lied about and misrepresented. After gently pointing out Sissy Willie quotes us as calling Mr. Bishop a "half-breed partisan". That is plain unvarnished misrepresentation. Despite the foolish illiterate appearance Sissy drew a "Snoose" pay-check and several favors for quite a while. Poor little Sissy and Sissy.

A reduction of 10 per cent per bushel on wheat rates from New York to Liverpool is one result of the recent House committee on the shipping bill that may interest grain producers of the Middle West. This does not harmonize with the Republicans and Wall Street idea that the shipping bill is "impeachable."

What business does man is business, and now syndicate-created under President Wilson has helped materially in getting business for them on a scale which beats all American records. Business men know their business and therefore will attend to the business of bringing about the reelection of President Wilson.

Although the farms of the United States are valued at \$40,000,000,000 and produce \$10,000,000,000 of annual wealth, they have had to pay an interest rate of from 6 per cent to 10 per cent. A Democratic Congress and administration passes a rural credits act which will reduce this rate to 4 to 6 per cent. Will the 6,000,000 farmers of the United States endorse this act with their votes in November?

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**NEWS FROM THE NORTH COUNTY PAPERS**

Swastika

Death of W. H. Weeks

Last Monday afternoon while fixing fence on his farm, W. H. Weeks was bitten by rattlesnake. Medical aid was procured at once, but he died. ETAO ETAGINSHIR suffered intense agony most of Monday night. On Tuesday morning he was better and it seemed that he would recover.

Tuesday night he had an intestinal hemorrhage, and a little after 3 o'clock Wednesday morning he passed away. His son Jim, Mr. Weeks has been in poor health, suffering an attack of a stroke early this year but left his system in a debilitated condition, and for some time he had suffered stomach trouble. He would have recovered from the attack but if his condition of health had been normal.

Weeks was 52 years, born in Indiana, and came to this section about 8 years ago from Pleasanton, Kansas. About 8 years ago he married. No children were born to him.

The funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Des Moines on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, in charge of the Masons in this section of the county. The body was shipped to the Kilburn undertaking parlor at Clayton to be held until Mrs. Weeks could make arrangements to take back to her old home in Indiana.

Des Moines Bobbs Record

For the month of March, April and May, sixty-six carload lots were brought to Des Moines over the C & S railroad and during the same period 50 carload lots, making some person the Santa Fe brought in about 50 carload lots, making a total of 116 carload lots unbilled to the two lines. This does not include the broken shipments always set out with a partial carload of merchandise, being the number of sold lots. The local shipments make about 50 carload lots to be added to the total.

Bishop does this include the shipments to Des Moines and points west on the Santa Fe, which shippers are handled at this office. We are unable to give the exact figures for the Santa Fe, as the men can not agree and this information without consent from headquarters. But through the courtesy of the C & S we were enabled to set at the approximate sum of 116 being set by the C & S.

This is the biggest shipment of railroad lots for the three months of March, April and May of any time in Union County.

George Joseph W.H. Boldt

Arrangement was made Monday that his contract had been closed by George Joseph to租 of a stone building on his lot in the central addition, just across the Santa Fe track. This is a good location for a building as it is about half way between the depot and the bank, and will also be a splendid addition to the town.

J. P. Jones left Sunday for Dallas, Texas, from there to San Antonio, and from there to Plaza, Kansas. He is looking over some herds of cattle with a view of getting some good registered stock to build up the herd on the ranch. The Joneses which will devote a good portion of its energy to cattle in the future.

A ball game on the Des Moines diamond between the home team and Treasure Valley last Sunday resulted in a score of 16 to 8 in favor of Treasure Valley. The game was called at the close of the fifth inning on account of an understanding to that effect at the beginning of the game in order to allow the boys to return home.

J. W. Fox shipped a carload of fat hogs to Fort Worth Wednesday night of last week. For the past two or three months, Mr. Fox has been averaging a car or more each month, and the indications are good for it to be a car each week from Des Moines by October.

Born on Tuesday of this week to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Brooks, a daughter.

**PAPER SHORTAGE HAS REACHED CLAYTON**

The paper shortage that is being generally felt throughout the printing industries has reached Clayton much sooner than the local papers anticipated. Last week it was necessary for the Citizen to borrow paper from the News, and this week the News readers are indebted to the Citizen for their paper, such as it is; the shortage of paper compelling us to cut to eight pages and leave out many timely articles of both general and local nature, quickly printed on the "last run." Paper is on the road, however and there will be the usual ten or twelve pages next week.

**F A C T S**  
TERSELY AND FAIRLY STATED

The action of G. T. Tombs in relentlessly denouncing the profumation of W. T. Mansker, deposed sheriff of Union County, and elated of himself as "Democratic Personation," is entirely in keeping and consonant with his conduct in offering himself to his political benefactors to be used by them to win the seat of G. C. Smith, the man whom the people of this county hope to represent them in the last legislature. In other words, he is keeping faith with his political bosses now as then, and his condemnation of private citizens, District Judge and Board of Freeholders, dealing in their attempt to give and restore in the case of Mrs. Mansker, as clearly proves the regard in which he holds the wishes of the people and their ideas of common decency as did his action in ignoring the fact that Union County did not want him to represent her, and his assuming he is so regardless of her wishes, it cannot fail to be imitated by everyone, including Mr. Tombs himself, that Mr. Elam Smith's seat in the legislature is often disrespected of his wishes of the people of Union County and for the purpose of giving the machine, of which this is only a cog, a two-thirds majority in the House. He justified his action in so doing by saying it was politics. In the case of Mr. Mansker where a sheriff is suspended from office, upon causes which could not be referred to a Grand Jury, District Court and District Attorney, he says that the parties inspiring the suit, are engaged "politics" and that it is dirty, rotten and unfair to do so. In the case of Mr. Mansker nearly all of those behind the prosecution are and have been Republicans, or one shade or another, including the district attorneys and a majority of the grand jury, not in this suspending incident. There isn't much argument against that being "POLITICS". Most anyone would like to hear Mr. Tombs explain why he condones the proaction of Mr. Elam as "political", notwithstanding the fact that a large majority of the opponents are Republicans, and likewise why he justifies his action in suspending G. C. Smith, representative of Union County, by saying it was "politics".

Atto Miers Will Speak

Word has been received here to the effect that Vito M. Miers, who graduate from the Christian Brothers College at St. Joseph Mo., will be one of the speakers of the class. Miers will deliver his address in Spanish. As there are but a few commencement speeches made in the large college graduation exercises, Miers is distinctly honored by being chosen as one of the speakers.

Jeff J. and John Ford of Tate, were in Clayton Tuesday to prove up on their claims in the Tate vicinity. Big Jim Franklin, a neighbor, accompanied them coming as a witness.

Tom Taylor suffered a sun-stroke Wednesday afternoon, fainting in the post office lobby. Dr. Bristol was called and restored him. This the first case of sun-stroke reported this year.

Ira Massey, of Stead, was a Clayton visitor, Wednesday. He said he came to town to buy five cent worth of hairpins and fifty cents worth of dynamite. He reports a fine rain and considerable activity in farming.

W. P. Billau and bride, of Garden City, Kansas, arrived in Clayton last week and will make this their future home.

Born on Tuesday of this week to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Brooks, a daughter.

Mr. Mario Tryson, who for the past month has been the guest of Mrs. Gius Claggett, has returned to her home in Ladonia, Mo.

Methodist Church Services

The subject for the morning service will be "Endurance." In the evening the Thomas Gospel Team, of Thomas, will have charge of the services. Everyone is especially invited to attend the evening services.

How to Get Rid of a Cold.

Summer colds are serious. Read how G. E. Summers, Holdredge, Neb., got rid of his? I contracted a severe cough and cold and could hardly sleep. I got a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and the very first dose relieved me. I took a second dose before going to bed and can truthfully say I did not cough all night. By using as directed the next two days my cough was entirely cured and I have given Foley's Honey and Tar full credit for my speedy recovery.

Foley's always sooths and heals. Children love it. For sale by the City Drug Store.

**NO PLANKS TO OFFER, DECLARES W. J. BRYAN**

Said to Have Told Member of Resolution Committee He Will Defend Platform

St. Louis Mo. June 16.—While the resolutions committee was in session tonight, Samuel A. King of Utah arose and made this statement:

"I called on William J. Bryan today and asked if he would submit any planks. He replied:

"I have no planks to offer but one, and that is the President's. Determine what he wants and his plank will be mine. I expect to go before the people in his behalf on your report."

**CLAYTONETTS**

**Treasurers**

These are the gifts I ask of Thee,

Spirit serene;

Strength for the daily task;

Courage to face the road;

Good cheer to help me bear the

traveler's load;

And for the hours of rest that come

between,

An inward joy in all things heard

and seen.

These are the sins I sin would have

Then take away;

Malice and cold disdain;

Hot anger, sullen hate;

Scorn of the lowly, envy of the

great;

And discontent that casts a shadow

gray

On all the brightness of a common

day.

—Van Dyke.

"Eaton Pi Lines shred" (whatever that means) takes the News editorial writer to task for a slip in grammar. We did not know Pi Lines was a grammar sharp but are pleased to learn he is something. Notwithstanding which the editorial in question expressed an idea, which is something the poor boob of a grammar sharp never did, or ever will.

"Our idea of superfluous things is a Union Station for Dulhart"—Pi Lines.

"Our idea of superfluous things is a traffic cop in Trinidad"—Pi Lines.

"Some people have one idea—and they can't sleep"—Father Dunkest.

It's too hot to celebrate Fourth of July on July Fourth anyway. Why didn't the singers of the immortal document look forward to the celebrations and sign the Declaration in January.

We'd rather go fishing anyway.

Joy and sorrow are never very far apart; a couple on their honeymoon trip and a widow taking her husband home to bury, had opposite seats in a C. & S. passenger coach, Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Woods and family of Mexia were in Clayton Monday on business.

John

E. B. Empson and wife of Vancity, were Clayton visitors the fore part of the week.

H. M. Dodd, ranchman of Belvoir, Oklahoma, spent Wednesday in Clayton on business.

Mrs. Frank Woods and family of Mexia, were Clayton visitors and traders this week.

W. L. Walker, of the far rumpa, was a business visitor to the city the middle of the week.

W. R. Martin of Kenton, has returned from Terrell where he was for medical attention.

W. H. Hamm and Len Shack were from the panel, near Decatur, the fore part of the week.

A. T. Oliver, and daughter, Mrs. Ma, were in Clayton Tuesday, from the San Joaquin ranch.

E. C. Smith, of Grandview, was a business visitor to the county seat the fore part of the week.

R. M. Sheehan, J. W. Boyd and H. A. Y. of the Seneca, were in town on business Monday and Tuesday.

A sister of Earl Erickson arrived Wednesday from Sweden and will make her home with the Ericksons.

E. S. Allen, J. A. Porter and V. McCollum were among Texoma visitors Clayton the first of the week.

C. L. Welsh, Ed Scott and Glen Keast, of Patterson, were in Clayton on business Friday and Saturday.

Tom Giles says he was twenty-one years old before he knew that "Damn tank" was two words.

I'd rather be broke than have a bank account any day, except when I am something I want to buy.

The Penick says he wants his name spelled with a K—both of them.

Some folks SAY their prayers; I whistle mine.

"Can you beat it?" Nope, we can't. We won't even make an attempt.

STATE FARMERS MUTUAL BAIL INSURANCE COMPANY

Home Office, Waseca, Minnesota  
Denver, Colo., June 6.

Mr. C. F. Watkins,  
Clayton, N. M.

Dear Mr. Watkins: I have your favor of the fifth and note that you expect to write a nice business on beans this spring. Kindly note that the cash rate on beans is ten percent and note rate is eleven percent.

In regard to the adjustments of bail losses, des to say that any losses you may have on beans or any other crop will have our prompt attention, and rest assured that the losses will be adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned and the farmers need not worry about arrangements in regard to an adjuster, as we will take care of that part to your own and the farmer's satisfaction I am sure.

We have no other agents for our company writing in your district so therefore I hope you will be able to solicit all the farmers in that section for their bail insurance.

Thanking you for your letter, I beg to remain,

Yours Very Truly,  
J. L. Blanch, State Agent.